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National 4-H Club Week

MARCH 1-9
1952



THEME: Serving as Loyal Citizens through 4-H

FACTS FOR USE OF PRESS AND RADIO

The 2 million rural young people who are 4-H Club members have scheduled a week to get set for doing their full share in attainment of the Nation's goal for production of food and fiber. It is March 1-9, inclusive. The club members will bring to the task not only demonstration of the newest and best that science has developed for production but they will also learn and practice the conservation of soil and water, farm and home equipment and materials, and other resources.

Purposes of the Week

To provide 4-H Club members a special occasion for checking their own efforts in relation to the needs of their community and country.

To inform the public and particularly all parents regarding the values of the 4-H Clubs.

To encourage the members to interest other young people in enrolling and in assisting the new members to get started in their 4-H work.

To enlist more public-spirited citizens as voluntary local leaders or sponsors of 4-H Clubs.

What the 4-H Club members plan to do

The 4-H Club members will take an inventory of their work in terms of today's needs and see to it that they are "all set" for 1952. They will hold "open house" meetings at which they will present their work to their guests. They will prepare exhibits, speak as guests of adult groups, have special motion picture showings, and arrange special occasions for the benefit of other young people interested in becoming members.

Who are 4-H Club members

They are rural young people between the ages of 10 and 21 who agree to "learn by doing" some farming, homemaking, or community activity as a demonstration of the best scientific methods. The 4-H Clubs are guided in the counties by Cooperative Extension Service workers and by the volunteer local leaders -- nearly 275,000 -- whom the agents train.

Where additional information may be obtained

From county extension agents, the State agricultural college, or, the Extension Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Washington 25, D. C.

NATIONAL 4-H CLUB ACHIEVEMENTS, 1951*

A RECORD YEAR

What 2,000,000 Members Did in Their 87,000 4-H Clubs
Under the Guidance of Their 275,000 Local Volunteer Club Leaders

1. 4-H members produced and conserved food, to make more available for their own families, for other families, and for those in need in other lands:

Garden products	acres	120,000
Poultry	birds	9,000,000
Livestock	head	1,000,000
Food crops.	acres	600,000
Products preserved.	quarts	16,000,000
Food frozen	pounds	5,000,000

2. They made their homes more attractive and livable through their 4-H Club work in --

Food planning, preparation, and service.	meals	20,000,000
Room improvement.	units	150,000
Arts and crafts	articles.	450,000
Home management	activities	150,000
Beautification of home grounds	homes	140,000
Clothing	garments	2,250,000
Child care	children	20,000
Music appreciation	homes reached	250,000

3. They made their homes and home farms more efficient and profitable through their 4-H Club work.

<u>Club members</u>	<u>Achievement</u>
340,000	kept personal accounts
580,000	participated in fire and accident prevention
150,000	made use of special economic information
540,000	demonstrated recommended conservation practices
750,000	carried on special 4-H health activities
60,000	engaged in work relating to agricultural engineering, electricity, tractor maintenance, and general farm repairs

* Estimates based on reports of State club leaders.